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SUBJ: PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE ON TANKER SAFETY AND
PULLUTION PREVENTION.

1. THE UNITED STATES PROPOSALS FOR HIGHER STANDARDS FOR
TANKER SAFETY AND PREVENTION OF POLLUTION WILL BE CONSID-
ERED AT A PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE, TO BE HELD UNDER THE
AUSPICES OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE
ORGANIZATION (IMCO) IN LONDON, FEBRUARY 6-18, 1978. THIS
CONFERENCE WILL BE THE CULMINATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL
PART OF THE PROPOSALS MADE BY PRESIDENT CARTER IN HIS MES-
SAGE TO CONGRESS OF MARCH 17, 1977.

2. WE ARE INFORMED BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF IMCO THAT
HE IS TRYING TO OBTAIN A CONSENSUS FOR ASIAN PRESIDENT FOR
THE PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT HE IS
CURRENTLY SEEKING THE CONCURRENCE OF ADMIRAL NIMPUNO, WHO,
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WE UNDERSTAND, IS DIRECTOR GENERAL OF SEA COMMUNICATIONS
IN THE GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA. ALTHOUGH OUR INFORMATION
ON ADMIRAL NIMPUNO IS SKETCHY, WE UNDERSTAND THAT HE IS
COMPETENT TO PRESIDE OVER SUCH A CONFERENCE AND THAT HE IS
A FLUENT ENGLISH SPEAKER.

3. IT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL FOR THE DEPARTMENT AND THE

OTHER INTERESTED U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO HAVE THE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS NOT ONLY ON ADMIRAL NIMPUNO'S COMPETENCE, BUT ALSO ON HIS IMPARTIALITY OR LACK THEREOF.

WOULD HIS IMPARTIALITY BE AFFECTED BY THE COST OF THE U.S. PROPOSALS TO THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT FOR ITS PRESENT TANKERS OR THOSE TO BE ACQUIRED IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE? THE CONFERENCE PRESIDENT'S ROLE IN THE HANDLING OF THE DECISIONS TO BE TAKEN DURING THE FINAL PLENARY SESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE COULD BE IMPORTANT FOR THE SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF THE U.S. INITIATIVES.

ALTHOUGH WE REALIZE THAT ADMIRAL NIMPUNO MAY NOT BE WELL KNOWN TO THE MISSION, WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION, AND PARTICULARLY THE EMBASSY'S EVALUATION OF ADMIRAL NIMPUNO INSOFAR AS THAT MAY BE POSSIBLE.

4. A RESPONSE BY PRIORITY TELEGRAM WOULD BE APPRECIATED.
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